



## News Release

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### **MSD ANNOUNCES JO BULLEN AS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FOR THE UK**



HODDESDON, November 21<sup>st</sup> 2019 – MSD (tradename of Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., USA) announces Jo Bullen as the new Executive Director of External Affairs for the UK.

Jo brings over 20 years of policy and communications expertise from life sciences and pharmaceutical organisations to MSD and has extensive experience from previous leadership roles both in – house and in agency.

Most recently Jo has been the Head of Public and Government Affairs for Bayer, and prior to this was the Head of Healthcare at Lexington Communications.

As well as bringing public affairs and communications expertise, Jo is an established leader with a wealth of people management and organisational leadership experience.

Jo said: “ The External Affairs department at MSD is renowned for being a talented and dedicated team and I feel incredibly privileged to have been appointed to this position. I am very much looking forward to getting to know the team and working with them. ”

Jo has replaced Jessica Fine who has taken up a position within the MSD Global Communications team in the US.

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